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## Prohibition At Sea.

(Mosby's Missouri Message.)  
Prohibition, apparently, is "at sea" in more senses than one.

If the opinion of Mr. Frierson, acting Attorney General of the United States, to the effect that "American ships, wherever they may be, are constructive territory of the U. S." be upheld by the courts, and acted upon by the enforcers of Prohibition, then the Eighteenth Amendment presents greater difficulties than were probably foreseen by any one. The upshot of Mr. Frierson's opinion, the enforcement of which is now the business of the Treasury Department, is that "the National Prohibition act furnishes rules of law which governs those on board an American vessel"; and that it not only applies, as has been admitted, to vessels in American waters, but to "vessels on the high seas or in foreign waters."

That American steamship companies are up in arms against such a ruling is quite intelligible. As one of them put it: "Probably fully four-fifths of those who travel by sea for business or pleasure make moderate use of wine and like beverages. When the choice is presented between American and foreign passenger steamships, these travellers therefore will take the foreign steamship every time. The effect of the application of the Prohibition Law to American ships on the high seas will be all the more disastrous because on many routes—like those to South America, for example—the American steamship services are experimental; being on trial, as it were. Even on the trans-Atlantic routes our ships, in order to obtain their rightful proportion of the passenger carrying trade, must win it away from established foreign services that are beyond the reach of our Prohibition Law."

Without hazarding an opinion as to the abstract right or wrong of this latest interpretation of the Prohibition Act, we venture the suggestion that, for the next year or two, our Government agencies will have all they can possibly do to enforce the anti-liquor law in the actual territory of the United States, without paying much attention to its enforcement elsewhere.

## International Myths.

(From the Dayton News.)

A careful search of Federal Treasury files has failed to reveal any basis for the story printed in a French newspaper that France will seek to have proper credit given her for a loan which was said to have been negotiated during the days of the American Revolutionary War. This loan, it is said, amounts to about \$6,500,000,000, which would repay by more than three billions of dollars the sum owed to the United States by France for World War loans. It is not likely that any considerable stir will be raised in this affair. If the money was borrowed in a legal and legitimate manner by our forefathers, it would have been recorded properly in the Treasury office. Moreover, France, which always seems to have needed money, would not have been likely to content itself by waiting more than a century and a quarter to seek payment for such a debt. Some capable humorist could find material in this story for his "passing show." And while he is about it perhaps some English newspaper editor might be found who could be prevailed upon to resort to another fairy story and contend that the colonists, upon the surrender of Cornwallis at Yorktown and the subsequent signing of a treaty of peace, agreed to pay England the sum of ten billions of dollars, for permitting us to win the Revolutionary War. This would square England's debt to us and France at one blow would find herself richer by \$3,500,000,000 because of her friendship for the colonial ambitions of America.

## Waste Should Be Eliminated.

One of the greatest sources of waste and poor management in American home life is the failure to apply commonsense business management to the problems of family expenditure in relation to income. Mindful of this fact Miss Myra Amsden, Professor of Home Economics in the Southeast Missouri State College, has worked out a study of household budgets that is of great practical value to the realization of a better use of income.

Miss Amsden is giving this study in connection with the Red Cross societies in Cape Girardeau, and could find it in every community in Southwestern Missouri where there is a demand for it. She finds, by actual investigation, that typical American

families are far from enjoying the best use of their incomes for the reason that husbands and wives do not ordinarily study the problems involved and apply simple business and scientific principles in the solution of them. Such questions as, "What items should constitute the family budgets," "The relative amounts that should be apportioned to the various items," "Where cuts may be made, if necessary," "What new items should be added when the income is increased," are all highly important. Women's Clubs, Chambers of Commerce, and similar organizations throughout Southeast Missouri might well cooperate with Miss Amsden in bringing this study to local communities. She invites cooperation to this end.

## A Birthday Party.

Saturday, April 23, was a beautiful spring day. I was standing on the porch contemplating the beauties of the resurrection time of the year. I saw a procession coming along the road, automobiles, wagons, buggies and footmen. I thought 'twas a funeral, when to my surprise it turned into the lane leading to our house. Very much surprised I watched them as they came trooping in, men, women and children, each one laden with packages, baskets and bundles. "Happy birthday!" "happy birthday!" sounded from every side and I was surrounded by friends laughing and talking and running into the house depositing good things to eat in kitchen and dining room, besides some very attractive presents. It was a complete surprise to me.

The ladies arranged the table with twelve plates and they were changed three times before all had a chance at the good things, ham, chicken, pickles, peaches, eggs, bread, buns, pies, cakes, coffee, butter and potatoes. 'Twas by far the finest dinner I ever saw in this country.

After regaling ourselves with food we were entertained by the young folks with music. Miss Ina Adams rendered some fine piano selections and Carl Pippin and Ray Stricklin played the violin, and the boys and girls all sang several fine selections. 'Twas a red-letter day in my stay of sixty-nine years and with Tiny Tim I can say: "God bless us every one."

Those present were: Mrs. Smith and Ora, Mrs. Amy Adams and babies, James Brooks and family, Sam Larue and family, F. M. Adams and family, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Stevens, Mr. and Mrs. Walsh, Mrs. Stricklin and Ray, Mrs. Pippin and Carl, Mrs. Keith and Miss Ella Eaton.

Thank God for friends!

MRS. N. W. ADAMS.

## Dr. Barnhouse Honored.

(Jefferson City News.)

Dr. E. L. Barnhouse, State Food and Drug Commissioner, has recently been honored by being appointed to the position of Treasurer of the Association of American Dairy, Food and Drug Officials.

This position does not carry with it any remuneration. Dr. Barnhouse has been a member of this association for several years; has served as second vice president and it was through his influence that the meeting last year was brought to Missouri and held in St. Louis. These meetings are usually attended by Food and Drug Commissioners, Dairy Commissioners, Chemists and Bacteriologists of the different states, as well as members of the Federal Food and Drug Bureau.

Many valuable papers are read at these meetings and discussions had relative to the best methods of enforcing the Food and Drug laws of the various states. Methods of cooperation between the various states have been adopted so that foods entering interstate commerce are more easily kept track of, especially where same have been found to be unfit to be used as food.

## Time to Vote Nay.

(Mosby's Missouri Message.)

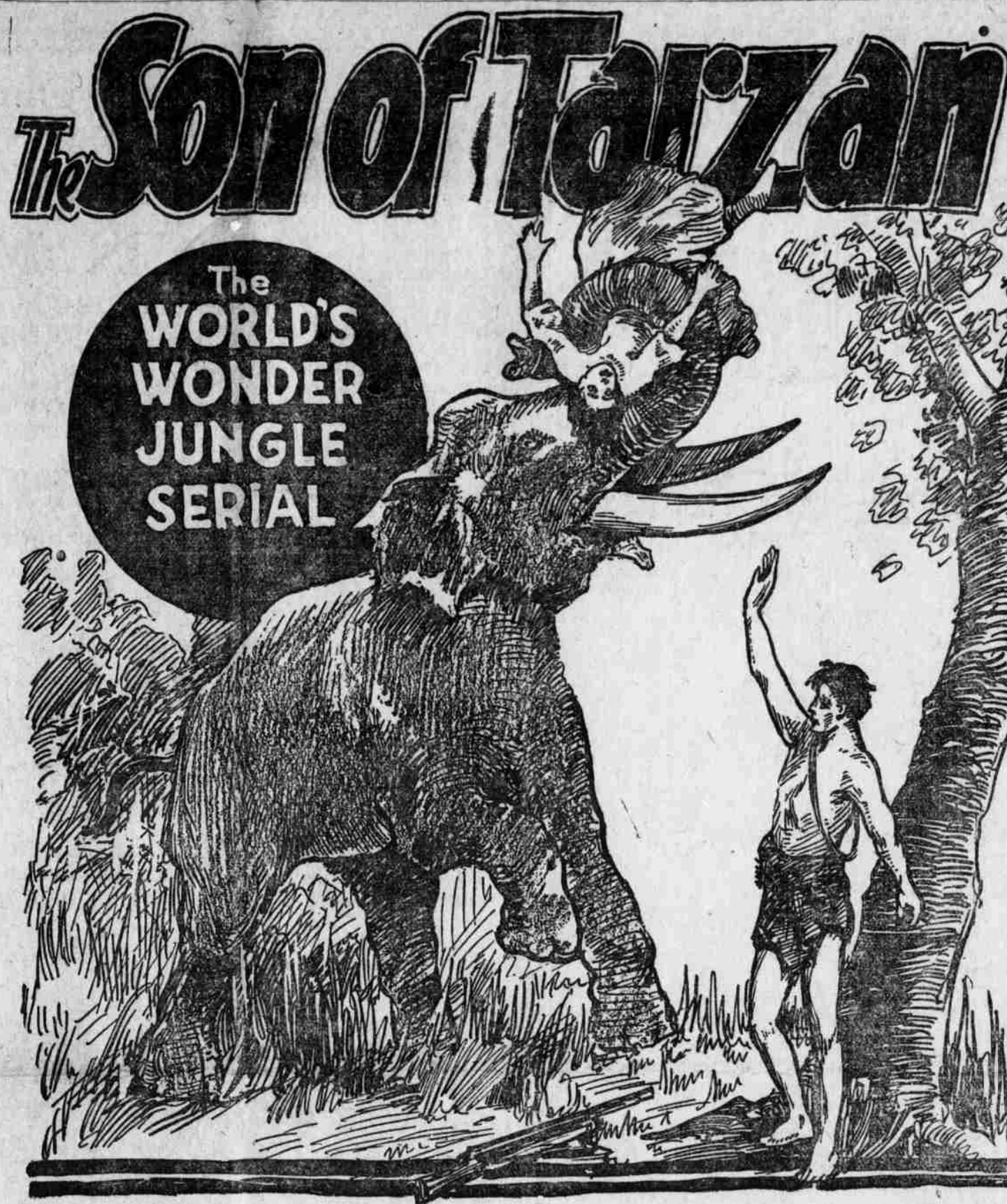
In the Congressional Record of January 10th, 1921, at page 1301, we find Mr. Wood of Indiana discussing the need of retrenchment in appropriations. Let us bring out the point as it is brought out in the Record:

"Mr. Blanton. Will the gentleman yield right there?"

"Mr. Wood of Indiana. Yes."

"Mr. Blanton. It can only be done by 'nay' on our part when these questions of spending money come up. We have got to begin to vote 'nay' instead of 'yes' on these matters."

Mr. Blanton, you have told the truth. You've said a mouthful. When it comes to making further expenditures of the people's money, it is



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TIME TO VOTE NAY. We have gone far enough with this senseless orgy of extravagance. The people must have relief from high taxes, and relief can come only when Congress and the State legislatures start voting "nay" on appropriation bills.

But now comes the sad part of the story. Following the Congressional Record to the end of the debate above mentioned, we find that it wound up by the House voting to increase the appropriation for prohibition from five to seven and one-half million dollars per year! Now isn't that a fine record of retrenchment and reform? Seven and one-half millions per year is the price we must pay in cash (in addition to a loss of a billion in revenues) for having a lot of Anti-Saloon League detectives snooping around and poking their noses into other people's business! Verily, salvation is no longer free!

## Bondsmen Must Pay Shortage.

(De Soto Press.)

At an adjourned term of circuit court at Hillsboro, Thursday, Judge Dearing gave his decision in the case of Caroline Higginbotham Estate vs. R. B. Jones Estate et al. The decision, which conforms to a compromise agreement between the admin-

istrators and the bondsmen, give the administrators of the Higginbotham estate judgment against R. B. Jones' bondsmen in the sum of \$52,000, and also orders turned over to the estate three deeds of trust aggregating \$12,000, and all money in the Peoples Bank to the credit of the estate. This means that each of the following bondsmen will have to pay to the Higginbotham estate \$5,200: Estate of R. B. Jones, estate of George Mahn, estate of Ed Merseal, D. L. Rouggy, G. A. Auerswald, Kirk Jones, Henry Lepp, J. M. Allee, E. S. Coxwell and J. F. Walther.

The original suit was for \$85,000, which amount included interest on the whole amount during the time the late R. B. Jones had charge of the estate, but the bondsmen contended that Jones, as administrator, was not liable for interest on money during the time the estate was in litigation over the validity of the will. Jones' last settlement of the estate showed values amounting to \$67,000, plus interest that might be due at that time.

The bondsmen were represented in this case by E. C. Edgar of this city and Ernest A. Green of St. Louis. Clyde Williams represented Administrator Jeff Higginbotham, and Jas.

G. Berkeley represented Administrators Chas. Clancy and Frank Couch.

## J. W. McCamey.

(Bismarck Gazette.)

J. W. McCamey died very suddenly at his home in this city on Tuesday evening about 6 o'clock. He had been over in town in the afternoon and had gone home about 5 o'clock, and was sitting on the bed when he dropped to the floor dead. He had been sick with indigestion and heart trouble and this was the cause of his death.

Mr. McCamey came to Bismarck from Patterson about two years ago, having acquired the J. E. Sawyer residence on the west side. He was a man that attended strictly to his own affairs, and was well thought of as a neighbor and citizen.

The funeral was held Thursday morning at 10:00 o'clock, services being conducted at the Baptist church, of which he was a faithful member, by Rev. Wm. England. Burial was at Ironton.

His known relatives are a brother in the State of Washington and four nephews at Bonne Terre and vicinity.

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Bismarck, Wednesday, April 27, Write for appointment.

Write for information or appointment.

NOTE—Dr. Fuldner's visits to Ironton are on the second and fourth Wednesdays of each month.

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